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WHOLE NO 1027

## WHOLE FAMILY SLAUGHTERED ON B. & O. RAILROAD BRIDGE

Party of Italians Caught by Passenger Train on Trestle Near Wilsonburg Sunday Night--Tony Manardi, His Wife and Child Killed and Bodies Mutilated, Body of Mother Being Ground Into Small Pieces.

Bodies Laid on Track and Other Trains Passed Over Them, Mutilating Them Horribly--Two Other Men were Injured and One May Die--woman with Her Baby Escaped Injury. Built a Fire and Encamped Among the Dead and Injured Helpless to do Anything.

Mother, father and child, all of one family were instantly killed and two men were seriously injured in a railroad accident the most horrifying and appalling that has happened in this section for years, east of Wilsonburg on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad trestle, known as bridge No. 12, Sunday evening about seven o'clock.

A party of Italians, consisting of Tony Manardi and his wife, who carried a young babe in her arms, Maria Rosa and his wife, who also carried a young babe in her arms and Frank Jarmati, a cousin of Mrs. Manardi, were caught on the railroad trestle by eastbound passenger train No. 72. Manardi and his wife were ground to pieces under the wheels of the train. The baby was instantly killed. Jarmati was badly injured and Rosetti was seriously injured. Mrs. Rosetti, holding her little babe in her arms was compelled to stand near the track in the midst of the injured men who were groaning in agony and the crushed and mangled bodies of the dead, without being able to do anything. She could not lay her baby on the ground, but she rendered assistance to the injured men as best she could. Finally Jarmati was able to stagger off in the direction of Wilsonburg to call for help. Mrs. Rosetti built a fire of loose wood and remained there amidst the scene of human slaughter. She remained there for nearly three hours until the arrival of parties from Wilsonburg.

About ten o'clock at night Jarmati had made his way to the home of G. Hardman, at Wilsonburg. He told of the accident and word was sent to Squire J. T. Flynn. Jarmati was taken care of at the Hardman home and his injuries attended to.

Magistrate Flynn summoned C. B. Bonnell and Dr. Patterson and the party made its way to the scene of the accident. They found that the bodies of Manardi and his wife were still on the railroad track and that several other trains had passed over them, crushing them beyond all resemblance to human beings. Rosetti was found in a serious condition. He was taken care of until Monday morning when he was brought to Clarksburg on the first Wilsonburg street car and taken to the Harrison county hospital.

The body of Manardi was found on the trestle a short distance east of the middle of the structure. The top of his head had been cut off and his brains spattered on the bridge. The body was bruised but not mangled. The remains of the woman were found about 100 feet east of the center of the bridge. The car wheels had crushed the body terribly. The legs had been severed in several places, the arms cut off and the body disemboweled. The head was entirely severed from the body and was found under the bridge in Limestone creek. A distance of 100 feet from where the body was found. The head was found into an unrecognizable mass. The baby was found within a few feet of its mother. The child was about fifteen months old. One blow had knocked the little body from the railroad track and death had come instantly. The baby's body was not mangled.

Magistrate Flynn notified the Clifford Osborne undertaking company, of this city, of the affair and the undertakers went to the scene of the accident. The remains were given into their custody about 3 o'clock Monday morning by the magistrate and they gathered them up and brought them to the undertaking

establishment in this city. The party of Italians had been visiting friends at the Perry coal mines and were on their way to their homes at the O'Neill mining camp. The railroad trestle, where the accident occurred, is situated less than a mile east of Wilsonburg. The track runs in a curve from a cut, across the bridge which crosses Limestone creek. The members of the party were all talking loudly and did not hear the train approaching. The train rounded out of the cut and was bearing down on them before they discovered their plight. They started to run. Rosetti and Jarmati tried to save the two women and the babies.

Mrs. Rosetti and her baby got off the trestle and track. The train struck the others before they could save themselves. Magistrate Flynn decided there would be no necessity of holding an inquest over the remains. The bodies were prepared for burial Monday by the undertakers. Arrangements for burial have not been made. A brother of Mrs. Manardi, living at the Cook mines, a sister of Manardi, living at Farmum, and a cousin living at Everson all arrived in Clarksburg Monday afternoon and they will make arrangements for the funeral and burial.

Jarmati was moved from the Hardman home to the O'Neill mining camp Monday morning. His right arm and right leg are badly injured but the physicians found no broken bones nor serious internal injury. He will recover. Rosetti is at the Harrison county hospital in a serious condition and may die. He received terrible injuries to his back and was internally injured.

The railroad bridge where the accident occurred is one of the worst places for such occurrences on this entire section of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. It is unusually dangerous on account of the locality, the track running through the cut hiding the train from sight from the bridge. Numerous deaths have occurred on this same trestle. Magistrate Flynn himself has picked up the remains of five persons killed on the bridge before the accident of Sunday.

## MIDSUMMER MEETING

Of the West Virginia Fair Association May Be Given With Purse Amounting to \$5,000 and Two Train Loads of Horses.

Frank R. Moore received a telegram Sunday night, following a letter, from Col. Earl Lowery, of New York, informing him that, if the West Virginia Fair Association will complete its grand stand by June and put the grounds in shape by that time, he will put the association in the Pittsburgh-Wheeling-Marietta half mile circuit and give a midsummer meeting, offering \$5,000 in purses and giving the association a percentage of the receipts. Mr. Lowery is president of the circuit. He states that he will bring two train loads of horses for the races. The association will likely make every possible endeavor to meet this proposal.

REV. HANK CALLED.

Rev. Arthur Hank of Guyandotte, this state, has received a call to the pastorate of the Salem Baptist church, as successor to Rev. W. M. Blair, resigned. It is likely he will accept.

## BRILLIANT SOCIAL FEATURES

Of the Gibbons Musical and Literary Circle Meeting Here Saturday Evening Last.

The Gibbons Musical and Literary Circle held its first meeting in some time Saturday evening, owing to the illness of Mrs. Dodge at the hospital.

The social feature of this meeting was something more than ordinary, it being the feast of St. Joseph, and also the feast of the president, Mrs. Dodge, becoming a convert to the Catholic church twenty years ago. Quite a large crowd was present and declared it the most enjoyable social gathering they ever attended.

The first part of the evening was devoted to vocal and instrumental music, by Miss Remlinger, of Grafton, and Miss Maud Welch, of this city, two accomplished musicians recently from the Cincinnati conservatory of music, and close friends of Mrs. Dodge. The program was opened by Prof. Gilbert John's song "Gay Old Bachelor," of his own composition. Miss Remlinger's morning song, by Denza, in contralto voice, was grand. Miss Maud Welch's song, "Voices of the Woods," by Watson, was highly pleasing and showed much correct cultivation. Master Basil Welch played well an instrumental selection for one so young and responded to an encore. Adelaide and Louise Dodge 10 and 11 years old, daughters of Mrs. Dodge, played beautifully and in perfect time an instrumental duet, by Kramer, under the tutelage of their mother. Harold and Ninia Johns, tots of 5 and 7 years, sang in a sweet, childish way, a duet accompanied by their father Prof. Johns, and last but not least, probably the most amusing part of the evening was the animal contest, which was introduced by Mrs. Dodge providing each guest with a piece of white linen and a needle and black thread saying each one was required to outline an animal of their own selection in twenty minutes at the expiration of which time the bell was rung and the contestants placed their efforts on the table ready for the judges composed of Prof. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Dodge. These three being artists themselves did not take part in the contest. But now was when the merriment began. There were animals of all shapes and sizes and all laughed until their very hearts ached. Finally the judges decided in favor of Mr. W. C. Repass for first prize on the horse and awarded a medalion in gilt frame. Mrs. Repass as ladies prize for cow a large comb shell from Florida. Harry Godfrey, as second prize with his sheep, also drew a Florida souvenir. The consolation or booby prize for ladies was given to Mrs. Sarah Welch for a man with no arms. This was decided by J. W. Dodge, who claimed, a man with no arms certain ought to be pitied as he could not even hug a girl and therefore was the poorest animal in the ladies contest. Mr. Delsonof the gentlemen, drew the booby prize, a gold stick pin and a cigar. After this the guests repaired to the beautifully decorated dining room of white and green plants and partook of a collation of a variety of creams, assorted cake, fruits, and confections. The flowers were white lilies, flower of the patron of the Saints day. After refreshments all returned to the parlor and music was continued by Miss May Johnson, Misses Lillian and Mabel Gould and Mrs. Dodge sang most beautifully and in her naturally and sweet cultivated voice, a fine selection by Millard, with violin obligato. The parting words were then reluctantly said by the club chorus, many wishing Mrs. Dodge many more as pleasant festivities.

An anniversary high mass was also celebrated by Rev. Father Chosen for Mrs. Dodge at the Catholic church Saturday morning at nine o'clock. Mrs. Dodge says he regards this the greatest day of her life.

## NEW BUREAU

Known As Colonization Bureau May Be Formed at Instance of the Salvation Army.

Washington, D. C., March 21--Senator Hear to-day introduced a bill to organize a Colonization bureau, prepared by officers of the Salvation Army, to secure settlement on public lands. It is said the bill was prepared on the advice of the late Senator Hanna, who would have introduced it had he lived. It was referred to the committee on public lands.



JOHN H. SNODGRASS.

John H. Snodgrass, candidate for the presidency of the Republican State League of clubs, which will hold its annual convention in Parkersburg Wednesday of the present week, is the managing editor of the Wheeling Telegraph, a paper that is devoting its most earnest efforts to the success of the Republican party and promulgating and disseminating its principles in the manner that brainy editorship and wide circulation bring. The policy and popularity of the paper is largely due to Mr. Snodgrass, who has been a successful newspaper man for years and who has done much to elevate the standard of journalism in West Virginia. Besides he has a wide acquaintance among the Republicans of the state and a record as a loyal party man. He was never known to waiver or falter, but has ever been found true and steadfast in the faith. He has never intruded himself on the public nor tried to dictate the policy of the party, although he has contributed much to that policy by his wise suggestions and convincing arguments. He is the servant of the party and ready to do what it commands. He is eminently fitted for the presidency of the league and should be elected such. In the selection of a man for the place, it should be borne in mind that he has no axe to grind.

## CAPTURE UNCONFIRMED

Russian Government Has Nothing Definite About That Reported Engagement--Chinese Cruisers Moving.

By Associated Press.

Chefoo, March 21--Four Chinese cruisers have arrived here. It is understood that they will go to New Chwang as soon as the ice is cleared from that port.

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, March 21--No official telegrams announcing collisions between the troops have been received here and the government has nothing to confirm the story of the capture of eighteen hundred Japanese troops on the banks of the Yalu river.

## EXCURSION RATES TO PARKERSBURG

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company will give excursion rates to the Republican State League meeting at Parkersburg, March 22 and 23. The tickets will be good to return March 25. One and one-half fare for the round trip will be charged, making the cost there and back \$3.35, so far as Clarksburg is concerned. Tickets will be good on all passenger trains.

## SERVANT CONFESSES

To the Charge of Poisoning Breakfast Food, Then Denies It--Believed to Be Mentally Irresponsible.

By Associated Press.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 21--Agnes Massing, a servant in the Bowdell family, which was poisoned by breakfast food Saturday morning, has become utterly imbecile since her arrest, having had repeated and violent epileptic convulsions. Just after recovering from one fit she said in answer to questions that she put poison in the food, but afterward denied that he had said it.

The police are satisfied she is mentally irresponsible. She will be sent to the Gallipolis hospital for epileptics.

## GOING TO CALIFORNIA.

David M. Morris and wife will leave to-morrow morning for California and will remain there several months. They go there for the benefit of the latter's health, which has been poor for some time.

## REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON, OF ALABAMA, DEAD

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., March 21--The House of Representatives adjourned to-day as a mark of respect to the late Representative Thompson, whose death was announced by Representative Wiley of Alabama.

## MRS. DUFF ARRESTED

Constable Edgell Again Raids Duff & Hart Building at Salem and Arrests Woman on Speakeasy Warrant, As Part Owner.

Constable U. C. Edgell raided the Duff and Hart building at Salem Monday morning. He arrested Mrs. M. O. Duff and required her to appear for trial before Magistrate S. W. Gordon Tuesday morning.

The officer went to the oil town on the early morning train armed with speakeasy warrants. He found no one in the saloon on the first floor of the building, but seized a lot of whiskey and beer he found in the room. He found Mrs. Duff in the living apartments above the first floor and placed her under arrest as one of the owners of the building. She gave bond for her appearance before the Magistrate.

The whiskey and beer seized by the officer was shipped to this city on the afternoon train and taken to the basement of the court-house to be disposed of by direction of the prosecuting attorney. In the lot were four untapped kegs of beer.

## DEATH OF WELL KNOWN CITIZEN

Addison H. Wyatt Succumbs to the Inevitable at His Home on Water Street Monday Noon at Age of Seventy-Two Years.

Addison H. Wyatt, an aged and well known resident of this city, died at his home on Water street Monday noon after a long illness with a complication of diseases and the infirmities attendant upon old age. The deceased was seventy-two years of age. He was born at Heaters, Braxton county. Besides the sorrowing wife there are surviving two children and three brothers. The children are Charles Wyatt, now living at Morgantown, and the brothers are James, William and Anna, all living at Heaters, Braxton county.

Funeral services will be held at the home, 302 Water street, Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock. The remains will be shipped to Heaters Wednesday morning. Burial will be made in the family burial ground at that place.

## LYNCHING IN TEXAS.

By Associated Press.

Houston, Texas, March 21--John May, a negro, was found hanging to a telegraph pole at Montgomery station, one hundred miles from Houston to-day. Maynard had confessed he was one of a party that robbed Bohemian laborers and killed one.

## MANGLED REMAINS FOUND ALONG TRACK

Charles Hewett, of Koon's Run Meets Horrible Death by Either Jumping From or Falling Off a Freight Train on the Monongah Division.

Body Found Several Hours Later in Mangled Condition--At First it Remains Unidentified but Proves to be all That is Mortal of Charles Hewitt.

## BIG SUITS

Instituted in the United States Circuit Court Here--One For Money and the Other For Coal Lands.

Two important suits have been instituted in the United States Circuit Court here. One is brought by Mrs. Ida G. Jackson, of Parkersburg, against A. B. White and others for \$14,000. She claims this is the amount due here from the sale of the Little Kanawha railroad to the Wabash system.

The other is brought by the Maryland Coal Company against John T. McGraw, of Grafton, for specific performance of contract and involves the surrender of possession of 30 acres of coal lands in the Brown-Reefer-Goff sale recently made in Taylor county.

## KNIGHTS TEMPLARS WILL MEET.

Clarksburg Commandery, No. 13, Knights Templars, will hold a meeting to-night in the Masonic hall. It is desirable that as many members of the Commandery as possible attend this meeting as important matters will come up for consideration.

## LANDSLIDE AT JACKSONBURG.

The Short Line passenger train due here at noon Monday ran five hours late on account of a big landslide at Jacksonburg. The slide occurred after the morning train had passed that point for New Martinsville and on the return trip the train got hung up.

## PARSONAGE WEDDING.

Mr. Robert L. Crites and Miss Stella V. Guinn were married at eight o'clock Saturday night in the Baptist parsonage. Rev. Robert B. McDanel officiated. They are both residents of the city and their many friends extend hearty congratulations and wish them a happy future.

## RECOVERING FROM LONG ILLNESS.

W. B. Smithy, proprietor of the Blue Front restaurant, on Fourth street, is able to be about after a serious illness of long duration. He recently underwent an operation at the Harrison county hospital for bladder trouble. He is still very weak from the illness.

## TAKEN TO HOSPITAL.

Mrs. Edward J. Doyle, of Monticello avenue, was taken to the Clarksburg City hospital Monday afternoon. She will undergo a delicate operation there and her many friends hope she may stand the shock and soon be fully recovered. Her health has been poor several weeks.

## SURVEYING ROUTE TO THE FAIR GROUNDS

Mr. Douglass, assistant to the chief engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, is here looking after the railroad construction at Grassell and especially the proposed extension of the branch line to the grounds of the West Virginia Fair Association. Surveyors have been busy on the route the past several days.

## WELL KNOWN HOTEL MAN STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

By Associated Press.

Chillicothe, Ohio, March 21--Uncle Jacob Warner, the veteran hotel proprietor of this city, is in a serious condition from a stroke of paralysis.

## PROMINENT INDIANIAN DEAD.

By Associated Press.

Greenfield, Ind., March 21--Judge David S. Gouding is dead at the age of eighty years. He was United States Marshal appointed by President Johnson.

Charles Hewitt, of Ailair, near Koon's run, in the lower end of the county, was found dead Sunday morning along the railroad track about half way between Thomson and Monongah on the Monongah division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

The passenger train coming from Fairmont ran within a short distance of the body when the trainmen discovered the corpse just in time to stop the train before it could run over the body. The trainmen and passengers looked at the body but were unable to identify it. They left it lying there and notified the coroner, who later took charge of it.

Identification was finally made of the corpse and it was discovered that it was Charles Hewitt. From the best information obtainable by those who investigated the case, he came to his death about five o'clock that morning by either jumping from or falling off a freight train that was running towards Clarksburg. He had boarded the freight a mile or more from the point where the body was found and rode in the caboose almost to that place, but went out of it and that was the last seen or heard of him, until his body was found.

The body was considerably mangled. One arm was cut off and had cuts and bruises were sustained. It was removed to his home for the funeral and burial. Hewitt was married and leaves a wife and three children. He was about 30 years of age.

## POSTMASTERS ARE REMOVED

By the President For Embezzlement and Bribery in State of Ohio.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., March 21--Two Ohio postmasters were removed by the President to-day. A. C. Buss, of New Bremen, was removed upon a report by inspectors, that he had paid to George R. Davis one hundred dollars for his endorsement of Buss' application for the office. The other is N. E. Townsend, of Edom, Ohio, who is charged with embezzlement of post office funds.

## MOST VIOLENT IN TWENTY YEARS

Was Earthquake Shocks in New England States and New York, Say the Astronomers.

By Associated Press.

Boston, Mass., March 21--Astronomers says the extent and severity of the earthquake shocks in the New England states and New York was the most remarkable in twenty years. It was the most violent in eastern Maine.

## MANY RECRUITS LEAVE TO BE ASSIGNED TO DUTY

Nine recruits leave here to-night for assignment in the United States army. Roy Jones, of Weston, goes to the coast artillery at Fort Rochelle, N. Y.; Lee R. Simms, of Glen Falls; Lewis W. Lee, of Bridgeport; William T. Munsey, of Mt. Clare; Homer Moore, of Gypsy; Arthur F. Holt, of Grafton; Floyd S. Marsh, of Nestorville, and Frank Brown, of Fairmont, go to Columbus, Ohio to enter the infantry service.

## HASSEN KILLED

By Pursuing Troops and Americans Were Aided by all Other Dattoes.

By Associated Press.

Manila, March 21--The Datto Hassen who wounded Major H. L. Scott in Jolo last November in an engagement has been killed by pursuing troops. All other Dattoes aided in finding Hassen. There is no opposition now to American rule on Jolo island.